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SECRETARY-GENERAL'S BULLETIN

To: Members of the staff

Subject: ESTABLISHMENT OF A SENIOR PLANNING AND MONITORING GROUP FOR PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS

1. The United Nations is faced with new and welcome challenges as a result of the expansion of the Organization's role in peace-keeping and peace-making. The number of peace-keeping and related missions has increased significantly over the last year and a half and potential new missions are under active consideration. This expansion has taxed the capabilities of the Organization to conceive, plan, direct, execute and administer peace-keeping operations at a time when retrenchments have taken place.

2. Consequently, the current arrangements in the Secretariat for handling peace-keeping operations have been reviewed with a view to strengthening the units concerned and improving co-ordination between them.

3. With immediate effect, there is established, within the Secretariat, a Senior Planning and Monitoring Group for Peace-keeping Operations to assist and advise the Secretary-General in the planning and conduct of peace-keeping operations.

4. The Group will be chaired by the Secretary-General or, in his absence, by the Under-Secretary-General for Special Political Affairs. The Chef de Cabinet, Executive Office of the Secretary-General, will participate in the work of the Group at his discretion. Heads of other organizational units will be co-opted to participate in the Group's activities as required.

5. The membership of the Group will be as follows:

(a) The Under-Secretary-General for Special Political Affairs;

(b) The Under-Secretary-General for Special Political Questions, Regional Co-operation, Decolonization and Trusteeship;

(c) The Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Assistant to the Secretary-General;

(d) The Assistant Secretary-General for General Services;

(e) The Controller;

(f) The Military Adviser to the Secretary-General.

6. The Group will have a subgroup on logistics planning, to be known as the Logistics Planning Subgroup, which will be chaired by the Military Adviser to the Secretary-General. Its membership will consist of the Director, Field Operations Division, Office of General Services, the Director, Recruitment and Placement Division, Office of Human Resources Management, and the Assistant Director for Peace-keeping Matters and Special Assignments, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance.

7. The functions and terms of reference of the Senior Planning and Monitoring Group for Peace-keeping Operations will be:

(a) To advise the Secretary-General on peace-keeping and related matters which would include:

(i) Preparing contingency plans for possible new peace-keeping operations and related activities;

(ii) Monitoring the conduct of existing peace-keeping operations and related activities;

(iii) Reviewing the organizational structure within the Secretariat that deals with matters related to peace-keeping operations;

(b) To advise the Secretary-General on budget formulation and the monitoring and control of regular budget and extrabudgetary funds related to peace-keeping activities.

8. The Senior Planning and Monitoring Group for Peace-keeping Operations and its Logistics Planning Subgroup will be provided with secretariat services by the Office for Special Political Affairs.

Javier PEREZ DE CUELLAR
Secretary-General

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16 March 1990

SECRETARY-GENERAL'S BULLETIN

To: All members of the staff

Subject: MESSAGE ON THE OCCASION OF NAMIBIA'S INDEPENDENCE

1. On the eve of Namibia's independence, I wish to share with the staff of the Organization my profound satisfaction over the successful implementation of the United Nations plan to free Namibia, which has earned the respect and admiration of the whole international community. I should like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to all the staff members who have contributed directly or indirectly to this historic undertaking, with the United Nations Transition Assistance Group (UNTAG) in Namibia, at United Nations Headquarters in New York and at other duty stations around the world.

2. On 20/21 March 1990, at midnight, I will have the honour of swearing in the first President of the Republic of Namibia. That will be a remarkable culmination of United Nations efforts over 40 years to bring independence to Namibia. The Organization will now assist the new State as it takes its rightful place in the community of nations.

3. The celebration of Namibia's independence reaffirms the effectiveness of the United Nations and its ability to find political solutions for long-standing and complex problems. We can all be proud of a job well done. I know that I can continue to count on your full support in tackling the major challenges that lie ahead.

Javier PEREZ DE CUELLAR
Secretary-General

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SECRETARY-GENERAL'S BULLETIN

To: Members of the staff

Subject: DESIGNATION OF ACTING UNDER-SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

Further to my decision of 27 February 1989, 1/ I have decided that Mr. Luis María Gómez will continue to serve as Acting Under-Secretary-General for Administration and Management until 31 May 1990.

Javier PEREZ DE CUELLAR
Secretary-General

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3 August 1990

SECRETARY-GENERAL'S BULLETIN

To: Members of the staff

Subject: APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR OFFICIALS*

1. The following changes are announced in the Department of Administration and Management, effective 1 September 1990.

2. Mr. Kofi Annan has been appointed Controller and Assistant Secretary-General for Programme Planning, Budget and Finance. Mr. Annan succeeds Mr. Luis Maria Gómez, who has been appointed Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme.

3. Mr. Abdou Ciss has been appointed Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management, to succeed Mr. Annan.

Javier PEREZ DE CUELLAR
Secretary-General

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